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1. The USSR instigated the Korean war because it believed the Americans, who were emphasizing the defense of Europe rather than of Asia, could easily be driven from Korea, thus leaving the Chinese Communists free to take Taiwan and to threaten the security of Japan.
2. When the North Koreans began to suffer reverses, the USSR had the Chinese Communists enter the war to stop the advancing United Nations forces. The USSR also hoped to prevent the Chinese Communists from going Titoist by moving down (sic) Chinese Communist troops.
3. When the Chinese Communists realized that manpower alone could not win the war, they asked the Soviet Government for more material, which it was not prepared to give, fearing a commitment in the Far East would lead prematurely to a world war. Therefore, the USSR suggested peace negotiations.
4. In late November the Chinese Communists were enlarging their Anti-America and Aid Korea program. They were also regrouping their troops in Manchuria in anticipation of the failure of the peace negotiations. The Chinese Communists, however, want peace in Korea so that they can invade Taiwan and increase aid to the Democratic Republic of Vietnam.

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